## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (currently amended) Storage and retrieval unit comprising:
- a) a supporting carriage which is movable along a rack aisle on at least one substantially horizontal supporting rail by means of a <u>lifting</u> drive;
- b) a lifting platform carried along by the supporting carriage and intended for receiving at least one storage item, the lifting platform having a plurality of sides;
- a lifting apparatus by means of which the lifting platform is movable in the vertical direction relative to the supporting carriage, and which comprises at least two <u>lifting</u> traction means, on which the lifting platform is suspended from the supporting carriage; and
- d) a stabilising device which prevents lateral deflection of the lifting platform and comprises:
  - da) at least three <u>stabilisation</u> traction means fastened to <u>the opposing</u> sides of the lifting platform which are opposite in the direction of travel, at least two of the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means running to at least two fastening points arranged in a <u>region of proximate</u> one end of the rack aisle, and at least one of the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means running to a fastening point arranged in a <u>region of proximate</u> the other end of the rack aisle;
  - db) for each of the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means a <u>stabilisation</u> drive, through the actuation of which the effective length of the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means between the lifting platform and the respective fastening point can be changed;

- dc) a control system which controls the drives in such a way that the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means are taut <u>relative to</u> in each desired position of the lifting platform upon positioning of the lifting platform in a desired position.
- 2. (currently amended) Storage and retrieval unit according to Claim 1, wherein <u>four</u> stabilisation traction means are provided, with each having a stabilisation drive, the <u>stabilisation</u> drives are arranged in pairs at the opposite ends of the rack aisle and thus form the fastening points at these locations.
- 3. (currently amended) Storage and retrieval unit according to Claim 1, wherein the <u>stabilisation</u> drives <u>of the stabilisation traction means</u> are <u>one of arranged on the lifting platform</u> and fixed relative to the rack aisle.
- 4. (currently amended) Storage and retrieval unit according to claim 1, wherein <u>each of</u> the <u>stabilisation</u> drives comprise drums onto which <u>flexible</u> the <u>stabilisation</u> traction means can be wound up.
- 5. (currently amended) Storage and retrieval unit according to Claim 4, wherein those of the drums of the stabilisation drives of the stabilisation traction means which are arranged on a same side of the lifting platform are driven by a common drive shaft.